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## Amendment to the Claims:

- 1. (Original) A decontamination system for an enclosure comprising ductwork for transporting air to a plurality of regions of the enclosure, the system comprising:
  - a means for circulating air through a ductwork system;
- a means for supplying decontamination vapor to the ductwork system to be circulated therethrough.
  - 2. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 1 further including controllable baffles disposed adjacent registers between the ductwork and rooms.
  - 3. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 2 further including at least one of temperature, vapor concentration, and flow rate monitors disposed in conjunction with the controllable baffles.
    - 4. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 3 further including:
  - a decontamination controller connected with the controllable baffles, the monitors, and the means for circulating air through the ductwork for automatically controlling a decontamination cycle.
  - 5. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 4 wherein the decontamination controller includes:
  - a processor which is preprogrammed to optimize and implement a decontamination cycle which includes flowing vapor through the system in one direction, allowing the vapor to stagnate in the system, and flow the vapor in an opposite direction.
    - 6. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 4 wherein the decontamination controller controls at least the baffles and the means for circulating air through the ductwork to create turbulent flow.

- 7. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 1 wherein the means for supplying decontamination vapor includes:
  - a hydrogen peroxide vapor generator.
- 8. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the enclosure comprises a building or portion thereof and the regions comprise rooms.
- 9. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 2, further including: at least one of the controllable baffles including a temporary baffle which is selectively inserted into a portion of the ductwork system.
- 10. (Original) A method of decontaminating buildings comprising: circulating a vapor decontaminant through HVAC ductwork and associated rooms.
- 11. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 10 wherein the vapor decontaminant includes hydrogen peroxide vapor.
- 12. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 11 further including: circulating the hydrogen peroxide vapor through the ductwork in one direction,
- circulating the hydrogen peroxide vapor through the ductwork in an opposite direction, and
  - allowing the hydrogen peroxide vapor to dwell in the ductwork.
  - 13. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 12 further including: automatically opening and closing baffles at registers between the HVAC ductwork and individual rooms.
  - 14. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 13 further including:
    monitoring at least one of temperature, flow velocity, and vapor
    concentration; and

controlling the opening and closing of the baffles in accordance with the monitoring.

- 15. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 10 further including: creating turbulent flow in the ductwork.
- 16. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 10 wherein the HVAC ductwork includes a plurality of independent HVAC ductwork subsystems, the method further including:

decontaminating HVAC subsystems more remote from a contamination site within the building and progressively decontaminating HVAC subsystems closer to the contamination site.

- 17. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 10, further including: connecting a temporary baffle with the ductwork; and controlling the temporary baffle to control the flow of vapor decontaminant from the ductwork to at least one of the regions.
- 18. (New) An apparatus for decontaminating buildings comprising:

means for circulating a decontaminant through HVAC ductwork and associated rooms.

- 19. (New) The apparatus as set forth in claim 18, wherein the vapor decontaminant includes hydrogen peroxide vapor and the circulating means includes means for:
- circulating the hydrogen peroxide vapor through the ductwork in one 5 direction,
  - circulating the hydrogen peroxide vapor through the ductwork in an opposite direction, and

allowing the hydrogen peroxide vapor to dwell in the ductwork.